Docket No. 0041-0619-3

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND RADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Ryuichi ISHIKAWA, et al.

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SERIAL NO: 09/160,581

EXAMINER: RUSHING JR., B

FILED:

SEPTEMBER 25, 1998

FOR:

CUTTING DEVICE AND CUTTING METHOD FOR OPTICAL FIBER

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME **UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136**

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

It is hereby requested that a THREE month extension of time be granted to MAY 8, 2000 for

filing a response to the Official Action dated: November 8, 1999		
responding to the requirements in the Notice of Allowability dated:		
filing the Formal Drawings. The Issue Fee due	has been timely filed.	
responding to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated:		
filing a Notice of Appeal. A timely response to the final rejection, due		has been filed.
filing an Appeal Brief. A Notice of Appeal was filed on:		

The required fee of \$870.00 is enclosed herewith by check and any further charges may be made against the Attorney of Record's Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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